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SUBJECT: CIVAIR-CLEARANCE FOR TRANSINTERNATIONAL AIRLINES
FLIGHT

REF: A. STATE 229992; B. STATE 230939; C. TEHRAN 8213

1. AFTER EMBOFF RENEWED EFFORTS TO GET SECOND TIA
FLIGHT APPROVED, FOR WHICH SUGGESTIONS REF A MOST HELPFUL,
DGCA IN EARLY AFTERNOON NOV 24 APPROVED TIA'S FLIGHT
ON NOV 26. (NOTE: EARLIER CABLE FROM DGCA TO TIA
APPROVING NOV 26 FLIGHT WAS IN ERROR AND WAS GARBLED
FOR NOV 22 FLIGHT. EMBOFF SO INFORMED TIA LONDON OFFICE
BY PHONE NOV 21.) PLS ADVISE TIA OF FLIGHT APPROVAL.

2. FYI: AS IN EARLIER INCIDENTS, DGCA WAS NOT STUMBLING
BLOCK AND MADE EXTRA EFFORTS TO KEEP MATTER OPEN AND
AVOID FINAL TURNDOWN. DGCA NOTED THAT IN FUTURE IRAN AIR WILL
PROBABLY REQUIRE IRANIAN CHARTERER ITSELF TO APPROACH
IRAN AIR BEFORE NEGOTIATING WITH FOREIGN CARRIER.
IN THIS INSTANCE, CHARTERER DID SUPPORT APPLICATION FOR
CLEARANCE BUT APPARENTLY HAD NOT TRIED EARLIER TO SEE IF
IRAN AIR COULD HANDLE CHARTER. ALSO, DGCA OFFICIAL
TOLD EMBOFF THAT IRANIAN COUNCIL OF MINISTERS REGULATIONS
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PROVIDES THAT WHEN ANY CHARTER FLIGHT IS REQUESTED, DGCA MUST

SEEK VIEWS OF IRAN AIR AND IF IRAN AIR IS PREPARED TO HANDLE
THE CHARTER, THE FOREIGN APPLICATION IS TO BE REJECTED.
DGCA ACKNOWLEDGED THAT IN THIS INSTANCE IRAN AIR IS NOT
PREPARED TO TAKE FLIGHT BUT HAD MAINTAINED THAT "POTEN-
Tially" IT COULD HAVE. EMBOFF POINTED OUT THIS WILL
BE REPEATED PROBLEM IN FUTURE AND DOES NOT SQUARE WITH
OUR UNDERSTANDING OF AIR AGREEMENT. WILL TRY TO SORT
OUT IN NEAR FUTURE.
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